

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 1, Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, as amended.
See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7653–S7807

Measures Introduced: Three bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2182–2184, and S. Res. 346–347. **Page S7717**

Measures Reported:

S. 1886, to amend subchapter I of chapter 31 of title 5, United States Code, to authorize agencies to make noncompetitive temporary and term appointments in the competitive service, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–189)

S. 2070, to amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, to reauthorize the Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Alert Program, and to promote initiatives that will reduce the risk of injury and death relating to the wandering characteristics of some children with autism, with an amendment. **Page S7717**

Measures Passed:

Tax Cuts and Jobs Act: By 51 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 303), Senate passed H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018, after taking action on the following motions and amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S7653–55, S7655–7712

Adopted:

McConnell (for Hatch/Murkowski) Amendment No. 1855 (to Amendment No. 1618), of a perfecting nature. **Page S7700**

By 51 yeas to 50 nays, Vice President voting yea (Vote No. 298), Cornyn (for Cruz) Amendment No. 1852 (to Amendment No. 1618), to allow limited 529 account funds to be used for elementary and secondary education, including homeschool.

Pages S7704–05

By 52 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 302), Merkley Amendment No. 1856 (to Amendment No. 1618), of a perfecting nature. **Pages S7711–12**

McConnell (for Hatch/Murkowski) Amendment No. 1618, of a perfecting nature. (By unanimous consent, the amendment, as amended, be considered as original text for the purpose of further amendment, and all points of order be preserved.)

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Rejected:

By 48 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 290), Wyden (for Nelson) motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions. **Page S7656**

By 48 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 291), Baldwin motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions. **Page S7656**

By 43 yeas to 57 nays (Vote No. 292), Cardin motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions. **Pages S7665–66**

By 48 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 293), Schumer motion to adjourn until 12 noon, on Monday, December 4, 2017. **Page S7700**

By 48 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 297), Menendez motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions. **Pages S7703–04**

By 38 yeas to 61 nays (Vote No. 300), Manchin motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions. **Pages S7706–07**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 46 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 294), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected to the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, for the purposes of McConnell (for Sanders) Amendment No. 1720 (to Amendment No. 1618), to create a point of order against legislation that cuts Social Security, Medicare, or Medicaid benefits. Subsequently, the point of

order that the amendment was in violation of section 313(b)(1)(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, was sustained, and the amendment thus fell.

Pages S7700, S7702

By 48 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 295), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected to the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, for the purposes of McConnell (for Brown) Amendment No. 1854 (to Amendment No. 1618), to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the Child Tax Credit. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, was sustained, and the amendment thus fell.

Pages S7700–03

By 29 yeas to 71 nays (Vote No. 296), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected to the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and applicable budget resolutions, for the purposes of McConnell (for Rubio/Lee) Amendment No. 1850 (to Amendment No. 1618), to increase the refundability of the child tax credit. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, was sustained, and the amendment thus fell.

Pages S7701–03

By 34 yeas to 65 nays (Vote No. 299), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected to the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and applicable budget resolutions, for the purposes of Cornyn (for Kaine) Amendment No. 1846 (to Amendment No. 1618), to provide middle class tax relief. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 4105 of H. Con. Res. 71, the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2018, was sustained, and the amendment thus fell.

Pages S7704–06

By 48 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 301), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected to the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and applicable budget resolutions, for the purposes of Cantwell Amendment No. 1717 (to Amendment No. 1618), of a perfecting nature. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, was sustained, and the amendment thus fell.

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62nd Anniversary of Whiteman Air Force Base: Senate agreed to S. Res. 347, commemorating the 62nd anniversary of the dedication of Whiteman Air Force Base.

Pages S7805–06

Nielsen Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Kirstjen Nielsen, of Virginia, to be Secretary of Homeland Security.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Saturday, December 2, 2017, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, December 4, 2017.

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Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, December 4, 2017, Senate resume consideration of the nomination.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

66 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force and Army.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Phyllis L. Bayer, of Mississippi, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

Thomas E. Workman, of New York, to be a Member of the Financial Stability Oversight Council for a term of six years.

Jeffrey DeWit, of Arizona, to be Chief Financial Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Tadd M. Johnson, of Minnesota, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2022.

Lisa Johnson-Billy, of Oklahoma, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation for a term expiring August 25, 2018.

Lisa Johnson-Billy, of Oklahoma, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation for a term expiring August 25, 2024.

Erik Bethel, of Florida, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for a term of two years.

David T. Fischer, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Morocco.

Judy Lynn Shelton, of Virginia, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

James Edwin Williams, of Utah, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Labor.

Mark Schneider, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Institute of Education Science, Department of Education for a term of six years.

Barbara Stewart, of Illinois, to be Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

Jelena McWilliams, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for a term of six years.

Jelena McWilliams, of Ohio, to be Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for a term of five years.

Matthew D. Harris, of Utah, to be United States Marshal for the District of Utah for the term of four years.

Ted G. Kamatchus, of Iowa, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Iowa for the term of four years.

Joseph P. Kelly, of Nebraska, to be United States Attorney for the District of Nebraska for the term of four years.

Joseph D. McClain, of Indiana, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Indiana for the term of four years.

Scott W. Murray, of New Hampshire, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Hampshire for the term of four years.

David A. Weaver, of Colorado, to be United States Marshal for the District of Colorado for the term of four years.

David C. Weiss, of Delaware, to be United States Attorney for the District of Delaware for the term of four years.

7 Air Force nominations in the rank of general. Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy.

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

Additional Statements:

Amendments Submitted: Pages S7720–S7805

Privileges of the Floor: Pages S7805–06

Record Votes: Fourteen record votes were taken today. (Total—303)

Pages S7656, S7665–66, S7700, S7702–07, S7711–12

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. on Friday, December 1, 2017 and adjourned at 2:06 a.m. on Saturday, December 2, 2017, until 3 p.m. on Monday, December 4, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7806.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 4508–4529; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 122; H. Con. Res. 95; and H. Res. 639–642 were introduced. **Pages H9597–98**

Additional Cosponsors: Page H9599

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a yeas-and-nays vote of 209 yeas to 169 nays with two answering "present", Roll No. 652. **Pages H9585–86**

Preserving Access to Manufactured Housing Act of 2017: The House passed H.R. 1699, to amend the Truth in Lending Act to modify the definitions of a mortgage originator and a high-cost mortgage, to amend the Secure and Fair Enforcement for Mortgage Licensing Act of 2008 to modify the definition of a loan originator, by a recorded vote of 256 yeas to 163 noes, Roll No. 651. **Page H9585**

Rejected the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Financial Services with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 193 yeas to 227 nays, Roll No. 650. **Pages H9584–85**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–42 shall be considered as adopted. **Page H9573**

H. Res. 635, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 4182) and (H.R. 1699) was agreed to yesterday, November 30th.

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, December 4th. **Page H9586**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H9584–85, H9585, and H9585–86. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 1:17 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT-DISASTER RECOVERY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “Department of Housing and Urban Development, Community Block Grant-Disaster Recovery”. Testimony was heard from Neal Rackleff, Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

AMPHIBIOUS WARFARE READINESS AND TRAINING: INTEROPERABILITY, SHORTFALLS, AND THE WAY AHEAD

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness held a hearing entitled “Amphibious Warfare Readiness and Training: Interoperability, Shortfalls, and the Way Ahead”. Testimony was heard from Lieutenant General Brian D. Beaudreault, Deputy Commandant for Plans, Policies, and Operations, U.S. Marine Corps; Vice Admiral Andrew L. Lewis, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Operations, Plans and Strategy (N3/N5), U.S. Navy; and Cary Russell, Director, Defense Capabilities and Management Team, Government Accountability Office.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4478, the “FISA Amendments Reauthorization Act of 2017”. H.R. 4478 was ordered reported, as amended.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of December 4 through December 8, 2017

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Kirstjen Nielsen, of Virginia, to be Secretary of Homeland Security, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination at 5:30 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: December 5, Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine addressing the opioid crisis in America, focusing on prevention, treatment, and recovery, 10 a.m., SD–124.

Committee on Armed Services: December 7, to hold hearings to examine Department of Defense acquisition reform efforts, 10 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: December 5, business meeting to consider S. 2155, to promote economic growth, provide tailored regulatory relief, and enhance consumer protections, and the nomination of Jerome H. Powell, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: December 5, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Timothy R. Petty, of Indiana, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior, and Linda Capuano, of Texas, to be Administrator of the Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD–366.

December 5, Subcommittee on Energy, to hold hearings to examine S. 1336, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to reauthorize hydroelectric production incentives and hydroelectric efficiency improvement incentives, S. 1455, to amend the United States Energy Storage Competitiveness Act of 2007 to direct the Secretary of Energy to establish new goals for the Department of Energy relating to energy storage and to carry out certain demonstration projects relating to energy storage, S. 1563, to authorize the Office of Fossil Energy to develop advanced separation technologies for the extraction and recovery of rare earth elements and minerals from coal and coal by-products, S. 1851, to require the Secretary of Energy to

establish an energy storage research program, demonstration and deployment program, and technical assistance and grant program, S. 1876, to direct the Secretary of Energy to establish a program to advance energy storage deployment by reducing the cost of energy storage through research, development, and demonstration, S. 1981, to amend the Natural Gas Act to expedite approval of exports of small volumes of natural gas, and S. 2030, to deem the compliance date for amended energy conservation standards for ceiling light kits to be January 21, 2020, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: December 6, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of R. D. James, of Missouri, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, Department of Defense, 10 a.m., SD-406.

December 6, Subcommittee on Superfund, Waste Management, and Regulatory Oversight, to hold hearings to examine challenges facing Superfund and waste cleanup efforts following natural disasters, 2:30 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: December 5, business meeting to consider S. 1118, to reauthorize the North Korea Human Rights Act of 2004, S. 1901, to require global economic and political pressure to support diplomatic denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula, including through the imposition of sanctions with respect to the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and any enablers of the activities of that Government, and to reauthorize the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004, S. 447, to require reporting on acts of certain foreign countries on Holocaust era assets and related issues, S. Res. 150, recognizing threats to freedom of the press and expression around the world and reaffirming freedom of the press as a priority in efforts of the United States Government to promote democracy and good governance, S. Res. 139, condemning the Government of Iran's state-sponsored persecution of its Baha'i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights, and the nominations of Eric M. Ueland, of Oregon, to be an Under Secretary (Management), and James Randolph Evans, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to Luxembourg, both of the Department of State; to be immediately followed by a hearing in SD-419 to examine the President, Congress, and shared authority over the international accords, 2:30 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

December 6, Subcommittee on Near East, South Asia, Central Asia, and Counterterrorism, to hold hearings to examine beyond ISIS, focusing on countering terrorism, radicalization, and promoting stability in North Africa, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: December 5, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Kenneth L. Marcus, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, and Johnny Collett, of Kentucky, to be Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, both of the Department of Education, and Scott A. Mugno, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary, and William Beach, of Kansas, to be Commissioner of Labor Statistics, both of the Department of Labor, 10 a.m., SD-430.

December 7, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Mitchell Zais, of South Carolina, to be Deputy Secretary, and James Blew, of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Planning, Evaluation, and Policy Development, both of the Department of Education, Kate S. O'Scannlain, of Maryland, to be Solicitor, and Preston Rutledge, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Labor, and other pending nominations, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

December 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine implementation of the 21st Century Cures Act, focusing on progress and the path forward for medical innovation, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: December 6, to hold hearings to examine adapting to defend the Homeland against the evolving international terrorist threat, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: December 6, business meeting to consider S. 1870, to amend the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 to secure urgent resources vital to Indian victims of crime; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine S. 664, to approve the settlement of the water rights claims of the Navajo in Utah, to authorize construction of projects in connection therewith, and S. 1770, to approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Hualapai Tribe and certain allottees in the State of Arizona, to authorize construction of a water project relating to those water rights claims, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: December 6, to hold hearings to examine firearm accessory regulation and enforcing Federal and state reporting to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS), 10 a.m., SD-226.

December 7, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Leonard Steven Grasz, of Nebraska, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit, James C. Ho, of Texas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, Don R. Willett, of Texas, to be a Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, Terry A. Doughty, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, Terry Fitzgerald Moorer, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Alabama, Mark Saalfeld Norris, Sr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee, Claria Horn Boom, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky, John W. Broomes, to be United States District Judge for the District of Kansas, Rebecca Grady Jennings, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky, and Robert Earl Wier, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: December 5, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 3 p.m., SH-219.

December 7, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: December 6, to hold hearings to examine America's aging workforce, focusing on opportunities and challenges, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

House Committees

Committee on Education and the Workforce, December 6, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions, hearing entitled “Workplace Leave Policies: Opportunities and Challenges for Employers and Working Families”, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, December 7, Subcommittee on Environment, hearing entitled “The Mission of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

December 8, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Examining the Role of the Department of Energy in Energy Sector Cybersecurity”, 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, December 6, Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance, hearing entitled “Sustainable Housing Finance: Private Sector Perspectives on Housing Finance Reform, Part IV”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

December 7, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Examining the Office of Financial Research”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

December 7, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals for a More Efficient Federal Financial Regulatory Regime: Part II”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, December 6, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled “Advancing Human Rights to Combat Extremism”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

December 6, Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats, hearing entitled “Brexit: A Negotiation Update”, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

December 6, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing entitled “U.S. Policy Towards Tibet: Access, Religious Freedom, and Human Rights”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

December 7, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Counterterrorism Efforts in Africa”, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, December 7, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications, hearing entitled “Examining the Department of Homeland Security’s Efforts to Counter Weapons of Mass Destruction”, 10 a.m., HVC–210.

Committee on House Administration, December 7, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Preventing Sexual Harass-

ment in the Congressional Workplace: Examining Reforms to the Congressional Accountability Act”, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, December 7, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Federal Bureau of Investigation”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, December 6, Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans, hearing on H.R. 4465, the “Endangered Fish Recovery Programs Extension Act of 2017”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

December 7, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Transforming the Department of the Interior for the 21st Century”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

December 7, Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing on H.R. 805, the “Tulare Youth Recreation and Women’s History Enhancement Act”; H.R. 1349, to amend the Wilderness Act to ensure that the use of bicycles, wheelchairs, strollers, and game carts is not prohibited in Wilderness Areas, and for other purposes; H.R. 3371, the “Modoc County Land Transfer and Economic Development Act of 2017”; and H.R. 3961, the “Kissimmee River Wild and Scenic River Study Act of 2017”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, December 7, Subcommittee on Information Technology, hearing entitled “Oversight of IT and Cybersecurity at the Department of Veterans Affairs”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, December 5, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 38, the “Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2017”, 2 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

December 6, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 477, the “Small Business Mergers, Acquisitions, Sales, and Brokerage Simplification Act of 2017”; and H.R. 3971, the “Community Institution Mortgage Relief Act of 2017”, 3 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, December 6, Subcommittee on Research and Technology, hearing entitled “From Lab to Market: A Review of NSF Innovation Corps”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

December 6, Subcommittee on Space, hearing entitled “NASA’s Next Four Large Telescopes”, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, December 7, Full Committee, hearing entitled “New Names, Same Problems: The VA Medical Surgical Prime Vendor Program”, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through November 30, 2017

| | <i>Senate</i> | <i>House</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|
| Days in session | 177 | 173 | .. |
| Time in session | 1,062 hrs., 53' | 781 hrs., 17' | .. |
| Congressional Record: | | | |
| Pages of proceedings | 7,651 | 9,570 | .. |
| Extensions of Remarks | .. | 1,630 | .. |
| Public bills enacted into law | 29 | 60 | 89 |
| Private bills enacted into law | .. | .. | .. |
| Bills in conference | .. | .. | .. |
| Measures passed, total | 390 | 608 | 998 |
| Senate bills | 101 | 24 | .. |
| House bills | 50 | 403 | .. |
| Senate joint resolutions | 8 | 6 | .. |
| House joint resolutions | 16 | 19 | .. |
| Senate concurrent resolutions | 9 | 8 | .. |
| House concurrent resolutions | 8 | 14 | .. |
| Simple resolutions | 198 | 134 | .. |
| Measures reported, total | * 254 | 426 | 680 |
| Senate bills | 196 | 1 | .. |
| House bills | 28 | 328 | .. |
| Senate joint resolutions | 1 | .. | .. |
| House joint resolutions | .. | 2 | .. |
| Senate concurrent resolutions | 2 | .. | .. |
| House concurrent resolutions | .. | 4 | .. |
| Simple resolutions | 27 | 91 | .. |
| Special reports | 13 | 5 | .. |
| Conference reports | 1 | 1 | .. |
| Measures pending on calendar | 173 | 98 | .. |
| Measures introduced, total | 2,596 | 5,360 | 7,956 |
| Bills | 2,172 | 4,507 | .. |
| Joint resolutions | 49 | 121 | .. |
| Concurrent resolutions | 30 | 94 | .. |
| Simple resolutions | 345 | 638 | .. |
| Quorum calls | 3 | 1 | .. |
| Yea-and-nay votes | 289 | 300 | .. |
| Recorded votes | .. | 348 | .. |
| Bills vetoed | .. | .. | .. |
| Vetoes overridden | .. | .. | .. |

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 3 through November 30, 2017

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| Civilian nominations, totaling 553, disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 268 |
| Unconfirmed | 249 |
| Withdrawn | 36 |
| Other Civilian nominations, totaling 1,211, disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 933 |
| Unconfirmed | 278 |
| Air Force nominations, totaling 5,962, disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 5,594 |
| Unconfirmed | 367 |
| Withdrawn | 1 |
| Army nominations, totaling 6,613, disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 6,552 |
| Unconfirmed | 60 |
| Withdrawn | 1 |
| Navy nominations, totaling 4,278, disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 4,218 |
| Unconfirmed | 60 |
| Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,314, disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 1,314 |
| <i>Summary</i> | |
| Total nominations carried over from the First Session | 0 |
| Total nominations received this Session | 19,931 |
| Total confirmed | 18,879 |
| Total unconfirmed | 1,014 |
| Total withdrawn | 38 |
| Total returned to the White House | 0 |

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 188 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 432 reports have been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

3 p.m., Monday, December 4

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

6 p.m., Monday, December 4

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Kirstjen Nielsen, of Virginia, to be Secretary of Homeland Security, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination at 5:30 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

HOUSE

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